## **Economic Development Committee**

## Meeting minutes 7/11/22

A meeting for the EDC was held on July 11, 2022 at 5:00 PM in the Irene Martel Meeting Room at the

Present from the Committee: Thomas Klebart and Carol Cyr Ex aficionado, Carole Marchand, Marc Becker, John Milas, Nancy Healy and resident Nicholas Livingston. Also present. Alesx Guardiola and David Sullivan from the Worcester Chamber. Carole Marchand called the meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

Absent from the Committee: Ann Morgan and Richard LaFond

## Action Items:

Program and events. Summer concert series is in full swing and National Night Out is around the corner on August 2<sup>nd</sup>. Nancy noted that the WDBA would be hosting a vendor fair at Andy's Canteen the night

Business magazine discussion. It was suggested that at this time this would not be suited for Webster

Elect a new Chari Person. It was discussed and decided that the Committee would elect a new Chair when all members were present, which was tonight. Marc Becker made a motion to keep Carole Marchand as chair and Tom Klebart seconded. Marc Becker, aye, Tom Kelbart, aye, Nancy Healy, aye, John Milas, aye and Carole Marchand, aye

Elect a Vice Chair. Carole Marchand made a motion to keep Marc Becker as Vice Chair, Tom Klebart seconded. Carole Marchand, aye, Tom Klebart, aye, Marc Becker, aye, Nancy Healy, aye and John Milas,

The Worcester Chamber discussed our ability to attract a hotel in town. Webster is on the up and coming, and timing might be right to get a nice hotel with conference center in town. We have studies which nee to be compiled. We need to gather information. Who comes to Webster and why? What restaurants draw people. How much traffic. We believe we have most of this information from previous studies and could possibly use students from Nichols to compile it. The TA is in talks with Nichols about an internship and we would discuss with him.

Carole Marchand, Chair